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IRMA TIMES

THE ALBERTA OIL GAZETTE

The Only Paper in Alberta
Keeping Pace With Oil Operations

MACHINERY AND LUMBER ARRIVES FOR NEW OIL WELLS IN LOCAL FIELDS

Last Sunday two big flat cars loaded with new drilling machinery for the British Petroleum new wells arrived in Wainwright. Among the equipment on these cars was the twin oil well engines, these engines should be capable of developing twice the power of the ordinary oil well engine. Four giant mud hog pumps to be used to force the mud and water through the drill stem to lift the drillings out of the hole. Two heavy structural steel I beam crown blocks with five heavy pulleys. Two complete electric lighting outfits. Two large rolls of heavy steel cable with numerous heavy cranes containing other equipment used in assembling and operating the drills. In all some eight or ten cars of pipe, timber and equipment have arrived, these will be followed by a battery of heavy rollers which we understand are being constructed at a Vancouver boiler works. All the machinery is new and of the latest and most modern pattern. We understand it was shipped from California by boat to Vancouver from where the C. N. R. transferred it to the new field.

The importance of having a transcontinental railway so near the seat of operations, can easily be appreciated when one realizes that the weight

of the rotary table, engine, pumps, cable and boilers average from 10,000 to 15,000 pounds each. With this new equipment on the ground and a crew of experienced drillers, who we understand are on their way here from California, the B. P. company should have no difficulty in completing three or four wells per year with each outfit. It is to be hoped the company will lose no time in assembling the machinery and getting the new wells under way.

Maple Leaf Oil Co., Ships Equipment

The Times was informed last week that the Maple Leaf Oil Co. of Vancouver has shipped timbers and material for a 112 foot derrick and camp buildings from New Westminster, B. C. and that the drilling rig and balance of their equipment would be shipped this week. The Maple Leaf company have selected a site for their first well on Section 24-45-8-4. This location is considered very favorable, it is about one mile west of the famous Fabian well and about five miles north east of the Grattan or Battle Creek well. Preparations are being made at several locations, to resume operations and the next two weeks should see many new men at work in different parts of the field.

Grattan Oil Company Held Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Grattan Oil Company was held in the offices of the Edmonton Board of Trade on Thursday night of last week. About seventy-five shareholders of the company were present and considerable time was spent in discussing the affairs of the company and trying to find out just what was likely to be done in the way of developing the company's property. It was generally understood that the Imperial Oil company would drill another well on the

company's property the coming summer. Just when or where the well would be drilled no one appeared to know. The following directors were elected: B. B. McCleish, R. W. Jones, J. E. Wallbridge, G. Helman, H. G. Morris, Jas. A. Tait and James Martin. The Grattan Oil company is the oldest company holding leases in the Irma-Fabian field having been formed in May 1914. They hold some 12,000 including some of the most promising acreage in the field.

Shelby Mayor Takes Slam at Large Oil Interests

Mayor Johnson wired the following message to Senator B. K. Wheeler, on Wednesday, afternoon following the indictment of the Senator by the Federal Grand Jury in Great Falls, charging him with being hired by oil men after election:

Shelby, Montana,
April 9th, 1924

To Senator B. K. Wheeler,
Washington, D. C.

It is a popular belief that Federal indictments at Great Falls only indicate official Washington is still in control of the big oil interests. Stevenson and Campbell are two of the largest oil operators in Montana and since their discovery of oil in Kevin-Sunburst field have been embarrassed and discredited by the big oil interests. Kevin-Sunburst is the largest undeveloped field in America but has been idle for six months because big interests refused to buy oil from independent here but shipped crude for one

thousand miles to Standard refineries in Canada transporting it directly across the Kevin-Sunburst field where five hundred thousand barrels lay in storage and paying double the amount in freight in freight alone that oil would have cost if bought here. Every effort has been made to suppress this field and scores of wells reported dry which were not drilled deep enough to make an adequate test. Consensus of opinion is that Federal indictments are only another move to kill off the small oil operators and play politics. Keep up the good work. The country is with you.

James A. Johnson,
Mayor
While Montana operators suffer for want of market for their oil, Canadian consumers pay the extra freight because of lack of crude oil in Canada that will supply independent refineries in Alberta as soon as the oil is available. — Editor.

Lethbridge Wins in Gas Battle

Lethbridge wins the decision against the Canadian Western Natural Gas, Light, Heat & Power Company, Ltd., before the Public Utility Board, and the Lethbridge rate remains at 35 cents per thousand cubic feet.

The decision of the Public Utility Board, written by Judge A. A. Carpenter, was handed out Saturday morning.

The document holds that a contract exists between the city of Lethbridge and the gas company for 35 cent gas until July, 1927.

Finding that such a contract exists the board holds that under an old decision of the Appellate Division of this province, it has no power to intervene to fix rates.

South Refinery Now Operating

Lethbridge, April 17th.—The 300 barrel refinery of the Standard Refinery company's concern, financed locally, began operating on Tuesday. It represents an investment of \$50,000. Gasoline and kerosene distillate and fuel oil will be manufactured. Northern Montana crude oil may be used.

MARKET REPORT

Wheat	
No. 1	75c
No. 2	72c
No. 3	69c
Oats	
2 C. W.	24c
3 C. W.	20c
Feed	18c

PEACE RIVER TO GET FIRST CARBON BLACK PLANT ESTABLISHED IN CANADA

The expenditures which have been made over a period of several years in drilling oil wells in Peace River district are at last to bear fruit, if present plans of the Canadian Petroleum Limited are carried into effect.

It was announced from Ottawa on Saturday last by Mr. A. A. Rogers, who represents the company in the town of the "Williams" well north of Peace River, that his company has completed arrangements for installing a plant for the manufacture of carbon black at the company's well. The new enterprise, he stated in a telegram to the board of trade will employ not less than one hundred men the first year, and will require two hundred employees the second year.

From this announcement it would appear that investigations, which have been under way for the past two years have at last borne fruit. Government analysts have found that the millions of feet of gas which have been going to waste from Peace River wells for the past four or five years, is capable of producing carbon black, and several parties holding interests in the wells have taken the matter up seriously, looking to the establishing of carbon black plants at the wells. Mr. Rogers' company being the first to make an announcement of their commencement of operations.

The flow of gas from McArthur well No. 2 has been estimated at three and one-half million feet per day, and this has been going to waste for the past six years. The Williams well has been giving off an equal volume of gas, but of this a portion is utilized in heating and lighting the camp build-

ings and for fuel for the steam boilers of the drilling plant. Other wells in the vicinity are also producing large volumes of gas, which up to the present there has been no attempt to collect or utilize, but which can all be utilized in such a plant as the Canadian Petroleum announce they are about to install.

It is estimated that unlimited supplies of gas are to be had at very small outlay for drilling since, with the logs of several wells at hand, a small hole sufficient to tap the gas can be drilled in from three to six weeks at very small cost.

The establishment of a carbon black plant at Peace River marks a new step in Canadian industrial development. Heretofore all supplies of carbon black have been imported from the United States, that country holding a monopoly on the production of this material, which is in keen demand in many lines of manufacture, being an essential component of printers' ink, of paints of several kinds, automobile tires and manufacturers of rubber, dyes, and many other items. The United States market is protected against the European supply (chiefly from Germany) by a tariff of twenty per cent. Canada has no tariff against its importation, there not having been any Canadian production to protect up to this time. It is understood, however, that Mr. Rogers will ask the present session of parliament to grant at least a portion of the amount of protection given to United States producers of carbon black. In this request he will receive the whole-hearted endorsement of Peace River people.

Red Deer Sunburst Oils to Start Drilling About June 1

Red Deer, Alta., April 12.—Red Deer Sunburst Oils Limited has been incorporated under a dominion charter with a capitalization of \$100,000. The officers are: President, C. T. Eline; vice-president, Dr. I. P. Macroscopic; secretary-treasurer, S. V. Day; directors, W. E. Trueman, F. W. Gaetz.

This company has valuable leased lands in the proved area of the Sunburst-Kevin oil field, where there are already 130 producing wells, some of them on the same quarter as the Red Deer holdings. Drilling operations will be started about June 1.

Resurrection

New hope comes with the Spring of the year, for all the world is imbued with the vital magic of life renewed.

The Story of the Lily symbolizes the Story of the Empty Tomb, for its fragrant beauty emerges from an earthy home. With the darkness that fell when Christ was crucified, there fell a pall of hopelessness for His followers. There was the Messiah, apparently lifeless, as mortal as any of their kindred. What a blankness to confront the newly found faith! Here, surely, was evidence that Christianity had no new things to offer.

Then at the Dawn of that first Easter morning, when the Season of Oblivion was past, Christ rose, clothed in the Immortality which he promises to His people.

Since the earliest Easter, the festival has gathered about it much that is fanciful and picturesque from the pagan lands through which Christianity has progressed. The very name of Easter is adapted from that of Eostre, a Anglo-Saxon goddess of Spring, and the bunnies and colored eggs that delight the children are also remnants of pagan ceremonies, from which the Christians were weaned. Our custom of decking ourselves in new clothes at Eastertide recalls the festive days in honor of the coming of a kinderlier season.

Stripped of all its symbolism, the innate beauty of the season is deeply graven on all Christian hearts. It is the chief festival of the Christian church throughout the world. It is the day and season set apart to honor the first Man who conquered Death.

"Welcome, Thou Victor from the strife,
Now welcome from the grave!
Today we triumph in Thy life
Around Thine empty Grave."

EDMONTON COMPANY TO MAKE COM- MERCIAL USE NORTH SALT DEPOSITS

With the intention of taking advantage of the vast salt deposits in northern Alberta, a company of Edmonton and northern Alberta men has been incorporated as the Alberta Salt Company, Ltd., with a capital of \$200,000, the plant to be erected at Fort McMurray.

This La Salina salt claim, situated at the junction of Horse Creek and the Athabasca river, one mile south of the McMurray townsite, will be worked. The claim aggregates some fifty acres, and it is the company's intention to start drilling operations at an early date. There are two methods in vogue for securing salt—mining or raising from the well with water and then evaporating—but the latter plan will probably be utilized by the Alberta company.

Plant at McMurray

Fort McMurray will be the site of the plant. It is not anticipated that the product will be refined, but it will be sold in bulk. The Edmonton district alone offers a big market for bulk salt, where it is in demand by packing plants, dairies and cattle breeders, and it is estimated that in Alberta and Saskatchewan the yearly demand is over 40,000 tons. At present the nearest source of supply is Ontario.

John Gillespie, of the Gillespie Grain company, Limited, it to be the managing director of the new company, which will be styled, "The Alberta Salt Company, Limited," and the directors are, John Gillespie, W. W. Prevey, managing-director of the Edmonton City Dairy, Limited, and Alfred Van Hammerstein, prospector, of Lac La Biche.

The company has been incorporated with a capital of \$200,000, divided into 1,500 shares of common stock and 500 shares of preference stock, each

at par value of \$100, and the solicitors are Woods, Field, McAlister and Craig, of Edmonton.

La Salina Salt Claim

History of the La Salina salt claim dates back to 1905, when two wells were drilled on the present location, one mile south of McMurray, by different parties who were seeking oil. These wells were 100 and 135 feet apart on the oil claim and each log showed a quantity of salt. Following this the provincial government decided to investigate the salt and drilled in the townsite of McMurray, about one mile from the La Salina claim, and a careful scientific log was compiled by Professor John A. Allan, of the department of geology of the University of Alberta.

Pure Rock Salt

Drilling in the government well went down to 685 feet and that on the Salina to 1,400 feet. Professor Allan's report states that the fragmentary character of the core and the small amount of solid rock in the core bore 631 feet seemed to indicate that for the last thirty-five feet there were possibly from twenty-five to forty feet of comparatively pure rock salt, interbedded with anhydrite and shale, but of a commercial value, and it is expected that there is even a greater thickness of rock salt in the well.

Professor Allan further reports that with regard to the government well at Fort McMurray there is a commercial quantity of rock salt available for extraction.

The new company will carry on with the extracting of this salt after the necessary machinery has been installed at McMurray has been installed at McMurray, and, in addition, will act as wholesale and retail dealers in salt, gypsum, sodium, potash, oil, coal and other minerals.

Snow Fall Was Good for Ground

Monday the Irma-Wainwright district was visited by a very heavy snow storm averaging from 4 to 6 inches deep. The storm appeared to start from Phillips and the further east it extended the deeper the snow fell. With the frost partly out of the ground this will soak in as fast as it melts making the ground in fine shape for seeding.

Irma Tennis Club Officers for 1924

Sec'y-Treas.—W. Masson.
President.—A. F. Fowler.

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F. A. Keller
Dr. S. R. McGregor
T. J. Derman
R. C. McFarland
Social & Tournament Committee
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T. A. Liden
A. F. Tucker
Miss Lila Maguire
Mrs. R. C. McFarland
Mrs. Ina C. Knudson.

Membership Fees
Men—\$3.00 per season.
Ladies—\$1.50 per season.
Boys—\$1.50 per season, but boys must vacate courts when regular members are in attendance, if necessary. If full privileges for boys are desired, full men's fees must be paid.

COMPANY TO DEVELOP

SALT DEPOSITS

A company incorporated with a capital of \$200,000 and comprised of prominent Northern Alberta men, has been organized to develop the salt deposits north-east of Edmonton on the A. and G. W. near Fort McMurray. A plant will be installed at that point, and operations commenced this year. It is estimated that there is a market in Alberta and Saskatchewan for 40,000 tons yearly of the salt in crude form.

Work Starts on Provincial Highway East of Irma

Work has started on the Provincial Highway east of Irma. The Public Works Department sent a gang of surveyors here Wednesday to take the levels so as to prepare plans for the work. This work is under Provincial Surveyor F. Clark. We understand the Department intend calling for tenders for the grading as soon as the plans have been prepared.

Viking District May See Oil Development This Summer

That considerable drilling for oil in the Viking district may be done this year has just come to light. For some months past private owners of about 10,000 acres of leases north and east of town, have been carrying on negotiations with California oil men with a view to start development on some of these leases.

We learn that the oil men are considering the proposition seriously, and later on we may have some more definite news of the undertaking.

SUMMER SCHOOL

FOR TEACHERS
The annual summer school for teachers will be held at the University this year from July 6th to August 5th. The usual fee will be charged. An attendance of about 500 is expected.

WEDDING BELLS

Last Sunday Miss Muriel Ambler of Irma and Mr. Ezra Dennison of Jarrow were united in marriage at the Irma Parsonage by the Rev. Geo. H. Elliott.

A disappointed candidate says that elections are a good deal like weddings. The best man never gets the job.

It has been said that love is like the measles—all the worse when it comes late in life.

RED ROSE TEA "is good tea"

The ORANGE PEKOE QUALITY makes
finer tea and more of it

*"Don't get tired—
drink Boveril"*

Banking Problems In Canada

In the course of the address delivered by him in Winnipeg some weeks ago, and in which he discussed outstanding problems of the West, including farm labor, grain markets and marketing, transportation, export cattle trade, immigration, Sir Clifford Sifton paid his respects to bankers and the Canadian banking system, and suggested what in his opinion was necessary to restore public confidence in the banks and enable those institutions to function more efficiently in times of stress and emergency.

There can be no question that what has been termed the "wrecking of the Merchants Bank" and the failure of the Home Bank coupled with recent amalgamations of other banks, has shaken confidence in the Canadian banking system which for many years has been held up as one of the model systems of the world. Therefore, constructive criticism and suggestions are to be welcomed.

One of the criticisms most frequently heard in the West in years past was that while the Canadian banking system might be all right from the standpoint of large financial institutions such as Bond houses, insurance companies, mortgage, loan and trust companies, and also from the standpoint of manufacturing industries and large commercial and transportation enterprises, it fell far short of meeting the needs of agriculture and the primary producers of the Dominion. It was this popular feeling which ultimately demanded and forced Provincial Governments in the West to embark upon long term credit schemes and farm loan boards.

Prefacing his remarks with the statement that he was not hostile to the banking interests, Sir Clifford Sifton declared that it had been conclusively demonstrated that the Canadian banking system, great and successful as it is, does not at present furnish adequate security. This was the great drawback—lack of security. Lack of security for the shareholder, lack of security for the depositor, lack of security in the carrying on of his business for the farmer and the small business man.

Describing the situation, Sir Clifford said: "When times are good the banks get too liberal with their money; and when times begin to tighten up, the banks get frightened and call their money in, and, most, honest business men cannot get the required credit. There is no necessity for the present situation to go on. It is sheer stupidity. It could be rectified at once if we would take the proper measures."

What are the proper measures? Sir Clifford found the answer in the experience of the United States, and in the creation in that country of the Federal Reserve Bank. Prior to the creation of that great institution—one of the most wonderful and successful of its kind in existence—the United States suffered the same disabilities as now exist in Canada only in an aggravated form because the Canadian branch banking system contains elements of strength and flexibility lacking in the United States system.

Outlining his proposed remedy, Sir Clifford said that what Canada required was the appointment of a competent body of men, a small central board of mature men, three, four, or half a dozen experienced and successful bankers and financial men, the same kind of men who have been appointed as directors of the Federal Reserve Bank in the United States, who will say, when the bankers are getting too liberal, "Slow up"; and when money begins to get tight, "Loosen up."

Such a board should act as a bank of re-discount, Dominion notes being issued by the Finance Department upon their requisition, it being the privilege and duty of all banks to go to this central board for re-discount when ever the business of the country required it. In other words, that it should be indicated to the banks that they are not to pursue a policy of panic because they fear a lack of currency, but to rely on means provided by Parliament for their relief.

The United States, with all its wealth, would, said Sir Clifford, undoubtedly have had a fearful financial crash after the war had it not been for the Federal Reserve Bank—a system which provides a safety valve, a ready and sufficient supply of currency in emergencies, and the effect of which is practically to guarantee that no bank in the United States, which is in a solvent condition, need fail for lack of currency. It, therefore, becomes unnecessary for them to contract their loans and conserve their resources to meet emergencies.

Such a control board as proposed would have its own staff of auditors, which would be a deterrent on any bank manager going into an unusual transaction. It would not be necessary to inspect all branches of a bank, only the head office and the larger branches, the law compelling each bank's own inspectors to make a special return to this central board of all loans in branch banks over a certain amount, whereupon a special audit would be made where any large loans might be regarded as a source of danger.

This central board would likewise survey the whole field in Canada and recommend means of supplying any legitimate demands for credit which were not being complied with. In this way it could be of great help to the farmers of the West, just as in the United States provision was made for lending some hundreds of millions to farmers.

The people of Canada have long been discussing these problems, and, apart from whether Sir Clifford Sifton's solution is the right one or not, it is time some decisive measures were taken.

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WRITE FOR STOCK LIST

Would Amend Elections Act

Urges Appointment of Permanent Returning Officers in Canada

The appointment of permanent returning officers to supply the work of organization at election time is recommended by the chief electoral officer for Canada in his report to parliament. An amendment to the Elections Act is suggested empowering the naming by the government, either of an individual or a public officer, such as the sheriff by virtue of his position, to act at all times as returning officer in his county. The report remarks that the time required for preparation for an election in Canada is very much longer than the period consumed in Great Britain, where the system of permanent returning officers is in vogue.

The chief electoral officer also recommends that urban registration for electoral purposes should not be required, except in certain communities, where the population of an electoral district is less than 5,000. At present urban registration is required of all communities over 2,500. Exception would have to be made in the case of a few small communities, which are essentially urban but the majority of them could be registered as rural communities and effect economy in registration. The increased population limit, says the report, would reduce the number of communities now requiring urban registration from 185 to 50.

Straight Talk On Danger Of Colds

Let your cold gain headway, and you can't keep it from running into Catarrh.

Catarrh never stays in the same place—it travels down into the lungs—then it's Consumption.

Drive colds and Catarrh right out of your system while you have the chance.

Easily done by inhaling CATARRH-OZONE, which instantly reaches the true source of the trouble and gets right where the living germ of Catarrh is working. CATARRH-OZONE is full of healing balsams and essences, and is able to patch up the sore spots and remove that tender, sensitive feeling from the nose and throat.

It cures coughs and spitting case, because the discharge is stopped. The nostrils are cleared, headache is relieved, breath is purified. Every trace of Catarrh, bronchitis and throat weakness is permanently removed.

Get CATARRH-OZONE today! 50c. Sold by all druggists, or by mail from The Catarrh-Ozone Co., Montreal.

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Persuading the husband to smoke is a practical way of solving many home problems. Tobacco creates an atmosphere of cheerfulness and contentment.

GUARD THE BABY AGAINST COLDS

To guard the baby against colds nothing can equal Baby's Own Tablets. The Tablets are a mild laxative that will keep the little one's stomach and bowels working regularly. It is a recognized fact that where the stomach and bowels are in good order that colds will not enter. The health of the little one will be good and that he will thrive and be happy. The new sales tax will not increase the price of Baby's Own Tablets, as they contain the tax. You can still obtain the Tablets through any medicine dealer at 25 cents a box, or by mail, postpaid, from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

A Michigan woman at the wedding feast of her daughter, served strawberries and other fruit that was "put up" in the year the daughter was born, 22 years ago.

When a mother detects from the writhings and fretting of a child that worms are troubling it, she can procure a reliable remedy in Miller's Worm Powders which will expel all worms from the system. They may cause vomiting, but this need cause no anxiety, because it is but a manifestation of their thorough work. No worms can long exist where these Powders are used.

To Beautify Grounds

Within a few weeks the horticultural department of the Canadian Pacific Railway will have sent out to its agents 11,000 seed packets and 20,000 to 40,000 bulbs. As soon as western conditions permit, trees, shrubs and perennial plants will be packed and shipped. One hundred thousand trees and shrubs and 70,000 perennials are being used annually and it requires 200,000 bedding plants to fill the beds of the permanent gardens in the station grounds and parks of the company every year.

Nearly all children are subject to worms, and many are born with them. Spare them suffering by using Mother's "Worm Expeller," an excellent remedy.

According to reports of traffic officials, "dangling galoshes" are the cause of many women and girls being injured in alighting from street cars.

Minard's Liniment for Headache
W. N. U. 1515

The British Empire Exhibition

Strange Effigies Are to Be Found in Westminster Abbey

The British Museum in London has been the growth of nearly two centuries, the first purchase for the collection having been made in 1753, although the present magnificent building in Bloomsbury was not completed until 1853, the gap of a century. The Natural History Museum at South Kensington with its splendid array of specimens was not commenced until 1856. These museums and the adjacent museums and colleges of science, the Imperial Institute, the Royal Albert Hall, and the Albert Memorial are all clustered together and each is well worthy of a visit.

The Lowther Arcade in the Strand, that Toy Bazaar beloved by children of past generations, has disappeared with most of the old institutions. The Royal Polytechnic in Regent Street opened in 1829 and closed in 1881, is still remembered. Who can ever forget the thrill that went through the youthful beholder when the diving-bell with its human freight sank beneath the water, and the suspense with which one waited for it to emerge? Many were the exhibitions devoted to Napoleon and Wellington that flourished in London in the early part of the last century, but these have long passed away leaving not a rack behind. Among the many entertainments that have come and gone one can only mention Wilde's Map of the World, the Colosseum in Regent's Park, the Chariot (afterwards Moore & Burgess) Minutels, the Mohawks, the Dore Gallery, Hengler's Circus, the Royal Aquarium, and the performances at the Egyptian Hall in Piccadilly. Happily, the "Old Vic," the home of Shakespearean plays, still survives.

Reference has been made to Madame Tassand's Exhibition, that "Valhalla" of Immortals which came to England from France in 1802 and continues to be one of the foremost of the houses of entertainment in the Metropolis. The public never seems to tire of inspecting its figures of past and present celebrities, its precious relics and its tableaux. There is, however, to be seen in London a collection of waxen figures in a place where one would least expect to find them—namely, Westminster Abbey. Here, in a gallery not ordinarily accessible to the public, there is a museum of "waxen" exhibits of perhaps equal interest to the monuments in the sacred edifice. The collection has received the names of "The Ragged Regiment" and "The Play of the Dead Volants." For many centuries the curious custom prevailed at state funerals, even in old England, of exhibiting in the funeral car, or carrying in procession, a waxen effigy of the individual whose remains were about to be consigned to the tomb. The head of the defunct monarch, statesman, or warrior was modelled in wax, and an effigy was built up and clad in the actual garments worn by the deceased in his lifetime but embellished with false gear. Often, when the coffin had been deposited in the vault, the figure was placed over the tomb as a sort of temporary substitute for a stone monument. Several of these effigies are still preserved in glass cases in the gallery in question. One is a striking likeness of Queen Elizabeth arrayed in the familiar ruffed costume of the period, and other effigies are those of King Charles II, William and Mary, Queen Anne, the elder Pitt, and Nelson, who appears to have been the last personage thus represented.

Distress In Erin

Famine Conditions in West of Ireland Are Reported

Great distress is reported from the congested districts in the west of Ireland, where the conditions are stated to be worse than any since the famine year of 1848. Trade in England has affected the price of Irish produce as well as a diminished demand for Irish laborers. The farmers are reduced to such an extremity in the poorer districts that they have been obliged to consume for food the seed potatoes they require for the next crop.

Government inquiry shows, however, that there has been no such general failure of potatoes as would warrant introduction of local schemes of relief financed by the credit of the ratepayers. The question is said to be one of poverty due to lack of employment, and the government is arranging to mobilize all possible sources of employment to meet the situation.

School For Bakers

A school for bakers is to be erected in connection with the Ontario Agricultural College. The building is to be erected by the Bread and Cake Bakers' Association of Canada, and building operations are expected to commence early in the spring.

Ogden's CUT PLUG

Now in
Vacuumized Tins



80¢
the ½ lb

always fresh

Ogden's Liverpool.

White Kitchens

Becoming Increasingly Popular Among the Younger Housewives

White is everywhere a symbol of cleanliness. Of course, it is really no "cleaner" than any other color; a gray enameled ware pot, for instance, has all the advantages of cleanliness that a white one has, for all enameled ware is easy to keep clean and will not discolor. But the least speck of dirt shows on white, where it might remain unnoticed on some darker shade. For this reason the fashion of white in the kitchen where cleanliness is of paramount importance, is growing all the time. The "white kitchen" has white enameled table, white chairs, white kitchen cabinet—even a white range—and, of course, it has white enameled ware utensils.

It is becoming increasingly popular, particularly among the younger housewives, to have a definite color scheme for a kitchen. Some prefer all white while others find that white blends very well with the gray, blue and other shades in which enameled ware comes.

Canadian Editors to Visit British Isles It has been definitely decided that during the coming summer a party of proprietors and editors of weekly Canadian newspapers will visit Great Britain, with the object of promoting an interchange of ideas, not merely in the journalistic world, but also as regards general questions of imperialism and dominion interest. The arrangement in connection with the trip have been left in the hands of the Canadian High Commissioner's Office.

Why suffer from corns when they can be painlessly rooted out by using Holloway's Corn Remover.

World's Poultry Convention

Canada will be represented at the world's poultry convention, to be held this spring in Barcelona, Spain, according to an announcement by the Federal Department of Agriculture. Authorization has been given for two delegates to go, and efforts will be made to increase this number by way of a delegate from each of the provinces.

What Does This Trade Mark Mean?



You will see this shield-shaped trade mark in hardware stores everywhere. You won't see it on cheap, inferior goods. It goes only on household utensils of the highest quality, yet selling at moderate prices, because of the tremendous quantities sold each year.

Choose cooking and baking utensils that carry this trade mark. Choose SMP Enameled Ware, with its very hard, smooth surface. Heats faster, cleans easier, imparts no metallic flavor, causes no dangerous acid re-actions. Ask for

SMP Enameled WARE

Three finishes: Pearl Ware, two coats of pearl-grey enamel inside and out; Diamond Ware, three coats, light blue and white outside, white lining; Crystal Ware, three coats, pure white inside and out, with Royal Blue edging.



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Says Great Britain Must Increase Air Force To Avoid Disaster In Future

Commander Charles D. Burney, member of parliament, inventor of the paravane, author of the Imperial Airship project and noted authority on aviation, says in an article in the Sunday Times that Great Britain must either bring about aerial disarmament forthwith or increase her air force. Describing aerial warfare of the future, he says:

"It can be taken as certain that we should have to reckon on one hundred casualties for every ton of bombs dropped, and that, at a very moderate estimate, the casualties from daily air raids under present day conditions would range from 8,000 to 12,000 a day. By the use of incendiary bombs the whole of London could be set on fire, or all the main railway lines could be destroyed to prevent foodstuffs being brought in. These are not alarmist views, but considered estimates of the effects of airplane attacks at the present day. During the next few years, as more and more powerful weapons are produced their results are bound to be still more terrible."

Commander Burney, referred to an American airplane weighing 42,000 pounds, which can carry nearly five tons of bombs, says: "A squadron of 100 such machines, therefore, could carry 1,000 tons of explosives or poison gas; and there can be little doubt that within a very few years it will be possible to destroy completely a town the size of London within a period of a few days."

The best way to obtain limitation of armaments, says Commander Burney, is the mobilization of world opinion.

J. H. Thomas, the Colonial Secretary, in the Weekly Despatch, defends the Labor Government's decision to sanction the previous government's policy of air force expansion, saying:

"While taking the necessary steps,

as the late government did, to improve our air defenses by stages, we are certain that more competition in armaments leads to disaster. While recognizing the necessity of defense, we want to do nothing to upset the European situation. At the same time we must be in a position to establish confidence in Europe among other peoples, so there will be a recognized formula for an all round reduction of armaments."

Horse Breeders Are Hopeful.

Demand for Heavy Draught Horses Now Being Shown

Signs of an early lifting of the cloud that has overhung the horse breeding industry, were brought to the attention of members in attendance at the annual meeting of the Clydesdale Horse Association of Canada held in Toronto recently. The directors' report showed that the horse population from 1914 to 1923 had fallen off very heavily, the reduction in 1923 as compared with 1922 alone amounting to 118,200, with the decrease in the number of colts and fillies outstanding. However, practically all who addressed the meeting expressed the opinion that the bottom had been reached. They based their statements on the enquiries for heavy draught horses to do work in towns and cities.

Speaking for Western Canada, Hon. Duncan Marshall, John Graham, Carberry, Man., and others pointed out that despite the shrinkage in total horse holdings in the Dominion, part of the country was still overstocked, but that shipments to the east were beginning to show volume. All saw great possibilities in the near future. Among the optimists was Prof. V. L. Carlyle, manager of the Prince of Wales ranch in Alberta. On the motion of J. Byers, Valjean, Sask., it was decided to ask the Federal Livestock Branch to provide representatives to boost the horse industry in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, as had been done successfully in Alberta, and the motion was enlarged to include a man for Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime Provinces.

Less Prosperous Farmer

The Backward Farmer Who Fails to Profit By Advice

People who try to give the farmer advice that might be of value to them in their business, claim that those reached by the methods usually employed are those who have either made good because of their own energy or enterprise, or who would have made a success in any occupation. The farmer who is groping along and to whom precept and advice would unquestionably be of help rarely troubles himself to come within the range of that sort of assistance.

This situation is noticeable in the effort made by governments to educate farmers through fairs, plowing matches, and various other organized activities. It is the prosperous, successful farmer who is prominently identified with these events and who reaps the benefits. The man with the dilapidated barn and scrub herd fails to answer the call.

When a method is discovered to interest the less successful farmer, there will be better progress in agriculture throughout Canada.—Sarnia Canadian-Observer.

Tuberculosis Survey

Examination to Be Made in Alberta to Determine Prevalence of Tuberculosis Among Children

A survey to determine the prevalence of tuberculosis among children in the province of Alberta is to be carried out in the near future.

The suggestion to hold the survey was made by Dr. Baker, superintendent of the Provincial Sanatorium, who pointed out that the Dominion Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, would make a grant of \$1,000 to the undertaking.

One thousand children will be taken from various parts of the province as follows: 200 from Calgary, 200 from Edmonton and 600 from other smaller towns and country districts. All classes and nationalities of children will be included except Indians.

It was announced that as well as determining the prevalence of tuberculosis, the percentage of malnourished children in the province could also be determined by the survey.

Aid Juvenile Immigrants

In anticipation of a large volume of juvenile immigrants from Great Britain to Canada in this and succeeding years the Immigration Committee of the Montreal Kiwanis Club has secured and is equipping a local hotel to be used as a clearing house for these boys on their arrival.

To Forestall Insect Pests

Preparations Should be Made Now to Combat Potato Beetle and Tent Caterpillar

"It is more than likely," M. P. Tullie, field crops commissioner of the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture, says, "that both the potato beetle and the tent caterpillar will be with us again this season, and to guard against them preparations should be made now by encouraging dealers to make arrangements for the proper poison which will be needed."

"Arsenate of lead as a poison spray has advantages over Paris Green. When the Colorado potato beetle, the forest tent caterpillar and other destructive insects were causing trouble last summer, chiefly in the rural districts, great difficulty was experienced in getting arsenate of lead to make poison spray for their destruction. Paris Green, the remedy used for many years, has the disadvantage that rains wash the spray off the leaves quite easily. In many cases necessitating repeated applications, and it occasionally slightly burns the leaves, while if improperly prepared it will do so quite seriously. Arsenate of lead on the other hand does not burn the leaves and it adheres to the leaves very well even in spite of rains. When it dries on the leaves it forms a whitish tinge so that its presence can be seen, which is not the case with the Paris Green."

Smut in Wheat

Experiments in Treating Seed Wheat For Smut Control

Experiments to learn the best methods of controlling smut in wheat were carried on by the Botanical Division of the Dominion Experimental Farms at several of the Experimental Stations. Three systems of treating the seed of wheat were used: (1) Formaldehyde in solution; (2) Copper carbonate dust; and (3) Dehydrated copper sulphate dust and hydrated lime. According to the report of the Dominion Botanist for 1922, the formaldehyde treatment gave perfect control, the copper carbonate dust treatment was effective where there was a low percentage of smut in the grain treated. The copper sulphate and lime treatment was less effective, but it has been considered advisable to continue the trials with this method. A disadvantage of the formaldehyde treatment was that it injured germination and retarded the growth of the crop. The percentage of germination averaged about ten per cent higher with copper carbonate dust than with formaldehyde. In the experiments the seed was placed in the container with the dust and shaken thoroughly. The use of the dry method it is felt that the seed could be treated in advance of seedling without injury because the seed is in no way damaged by this treatment. Further experiments of the various systems will be carried on before definite conclusions are reached.

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Millions For Manitoba Schools

Must Cut Down Cost of Higher Education Says Member For Winnipeg

The sum of \$2,968,755 for the operation of the provincial department of education was voted by the Manitoba legislature. The government was spending too much money on higher education, J. T. Halg, Conservative of Winnipeg, maintained. The state, he suggested, should only pay for the number of students required for its service, which he computed at 500. "We have got to turn down higher education, so that the public school can do its duty to the ordinary people of the province," Mr. Halg said.

Export Movement of Cattle

Effect Shown of Unfinished Stock on the Market

In its review of the livestock market in the first month of the year the market division of the Dominion Livestock Branch says:

As the month progressed most of the markets showed a large increase in the percentage of unfinished cattle—a condition which invariably depresses the market, there being practically no outlet for such stock in midwinter except for slaughter."

Of the total of 10,719 cattle exported, 3,537 went to Britain, compared with 2,185 in January, 1922. The fair tone to the market and the comparatively good export movement was reflected in the prices for good quality cattle.

Hogs showed an increase in receipt and a decline of about two cents per pound in value.

Receipts of sheep were higher than in January, 1922, but the prevalence of common stock, especially at Montreal, as the month progressed, depressed the market.

The Tricks of Fate

The Comparative Safety of Riding on a Train

The man who boards a train may feel that he has been guaranteed a 59 per cent security. All-steel cars, modern road beds, efficient signal service and intelligent operation are his for the price of a ticket. Should that man journey across the continent, he will run greater risks to life and limb when he debarks at his destination and emerges on the street than he has run while en-train. A brief journey by motor car at the end of his trip will place his life in the maximum of jeopardy. He may be named or killed at a grade crossing within sight of his home by the very train that brought him safely over 3,000 miles of track.—Rochester Times-Union.

Pain In His Side Is Now All Gone

Ontario Man Pleased With the Results Obtained from Taking Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Mr. John F. Pain tells of relief from suffering and gladly advises others to try Dodd's Kidney Pills. Mr. Pain, Ont. (Sped.)—Mr. John F. Pain, a well-known resident here, was satisfied with Dodd's Kidney Pills.

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Turning to Dairying

Strong Movement in Favor of Mixed Farming in the West

Darcy Sept, general counsel National Dairy Council, on his return from the west, where he attended several dairy conventions said: "There is not the optimism this year I have met with on previous visits to the west. The dairy industry is the most prosperous, or perhaps the only prosperous branch of agriculture on the prairies at present. I never before experienced such a strong movement in favor of mixed farming and dairying as exists at the present time in the prairie provinces. Dairying is making very substantial development. The annual increase in butter production was about 20 per cent last year. The demand for more and yet more dairy cows is quite strong. The dairy cow will be the salvation of the west."

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Hudson Bay Road Would Open Ready-Made Sea Route For All Of Western Canada

Recently the west was visited by important personages from Minnesota: Mr. Hugh J. Hughes, state director of marketing, and Mr. J. F. Reed, president of the Minnesota Farm Bureau, says the Manitoba Free Press. Both these gentlemen have devoted considerable attention to the marketing of farm products, particularly grain, and have made a very careful study of interior freight and export rates, and both strongly favor the Hudson Bay route as a partial solution of the difficulties of the western farmer both in certain of the United States as well as Western Canada.

Speaking in Winnipeg on January 29th, Mr. Reed said: "Just why \$20,000,000 was spent on a railway which ends in a swamp and is left to rot is a puzzle to anybody on the outside. When the money for completion has been voted and there is every advantage to be gained by finishing the road to the northern outlet, what is the matter that it is not finished?"

About the same time Mr. Hughes spoke to a convention of the Saskatchewan Agricultural Societies at Saskatoon and predicted the early completion of the railway as being very necessary in the farmers' interests. Mr. Hughes had already written an interesting article on the subject of transportation routes and rates. This appeared in "The Country Gentleman" in its issue of August 19th, 1922, under the title "Landlocked—All-Weather Routes are the open sesame to the heart of the Continent." In this, Mr. Hughes showed himself to be thoroughly familiar with the subject and gave some very valuable and illuminating information as to the serious handicap under which farmers residing in the Canadian-American wheat belt are at present laboring in respect to transportation charges. He recommended strongly the development of the three great interior water routes of the North American continent: the Mississippi, St. Lawrence and Hudson Bay. Each had its own territory to serve but for the area comprising the prairie provinces in Canada and the Dakotas and other states of the American union the natural and proper outlet is by the Hudson Bay.

He says, by way of illustration: "If you have a globe handy so much the better. Now stick a pin halfway from the middle up toward the North Pole. That's Liverpool. Give your globe a quarter turn to the right. Stick another pin halfway up from the Equator toward the Pole. That's North Dakota. That's the centre of the American Canadian wheat belt. Now take a string and draw it between these two pins, the shortest distance. It doesn't follow an east and west line. It curves up toward the North Pole and then downward in a south-westerly direction."

"On your globe you will be surprised to observe that it hits Greenland and comes down across Hudson Bay. That's absolutely the shortest distance between Western Europe and the heart of America."

It was Henry Hudson, the same Henry who discovered the Hudson River, that discovered the Hudson Bay route. Don't dispute it as a joke. Remember it's the shortest distance to the heart of the continent. Remember that the ships of the Hudson Bay Company sailed past its headlands for 200 years. And on your latest map of Canada find a slender line creeping straight out from the westward toward Hudson Bay—a gleaming line of double steel rails determined on getting down to salt water in the least possible distance. You'll hear that the Hudson Bay route is impractical—sure. So was the route via Panama impractical—sure. There are bogs to be crossed and harbors to be dredged and beacon lights to set on many an unfriendly headland, but the sea slides run free long enough in every year to let the ships in from the Atlantic and out again with their cargoes of grain. When you are trying to shorten the land haul, remember the distance you are from the central markets of the world, don't forget the Hudson Bay route."

That well-known and reliable journal, "The Scientific American," has also been paying some attention to the northern route. The leading article in its issue of June, 1922, is headed "Hudson Bay, the Neglected Sea," and was written by John T. Rowland. The author spent some time in Hudson Straits in 1911, cruising in a thirty-foot auxiliary yawl. He has first-hand information regarding the navigability of the route and expresses his opinion that it has not already been developed for commercial purposes, but "now" he remarks, "the whirling of time suddenly bids him to exalt this veritable maze claim to its proper place as one of the three great trade ways into the heart of the American continent—the other

two being the Mississippi River and the Great Lakes system."

"The reason for this is not any change in Hudson's Bay itself. The controlling factor as usual is economic; it has dawned upon the minds of our neighbors across the border that there is a ready-made sea route lying wholly in Canadian territory and extending to within a few hundred miles of the great wheat exporting belt of the Canadian northwest."

Mr. Rowland refers to some difficulties that have been found in navigating the Straits, such as the effort of the magnetic pole on the Mariner's compass, tidal currents and ice conditions, and how these may now be readily overcome. The last-mentioned offers no serious obstacles for several months in summer and fall but it is the opinion of competent navigators that, "during the three or four months of open navigation, before the winter-freeze begins, this route may be traversed by an ordinary tramp steamer more safely than the Gulf and river of St. Lawrence to Montreal."

New Indian Schools

Three New Schools to be Opened in the West

Three schools under the department of Indian affairs have, or will, shortly be opened in the west. A new school is to be opened at Blood Reserve in Southern Alberta. This is an industrial school with accommodation for 150 pupils. The school will be conducted under the Church of England auspices, and the staff consists of a principal and some 15 teachers. The building is of brick, and will be operated as a boarding school. Other schools will be at Edmonton where 200 pupils may be taught, and one at Elkhorn, Man., re-opened after being closed for eight years. This school accommodates 125 pupils.

Settlers From U.S.

Handling of United States farmer settlers expected to move to Canadian prairie lands this spring was the principal subject discussed at a conference of colonization men held in Winnipeg. Indications are, it was declared, that the movement across the border this spring will be greater than it has been for some time.

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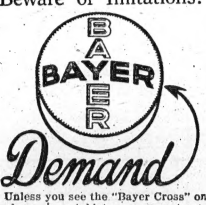


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SHOULD ENCOURAGE DRILLING

In his budget speech of a year ago Mr. Fielding announced that, in order to encourage petroleum exploration and development in Canada, certain kinds of drilling equipment would be admitted free, as well as seamless tubing over four inches in diameter for the purpose of well lining. This step was warmly applauded as likely to give a great impetus to the operations on this side of the border and proved especially gratifying to Alberta, where such strong and justifiable hopes were entertained of large discoveries.

It seems, however, that, as has happened on other occasions, the customs department has given a ruling which practically nullifies the good intent of the finance minister. Heavy standard drilling equipment, according to this ruling, is made subject, it is stated, to a duty of thirty-five per cent. Drilling equipment is exempt, but the need of securing the free admission of the former is very great and an effort is being made to have the government, in the next budget speech, amend this beyond any chance departmental misinterpretation. It had been further suggested that not only seamless but lap-welded, but welded or any other variety of oil and gas well casing over four inches in diameter should be designated for free entry.

If these requests were carried out it would give a large impetus to drilling in this province. The various fields here are being watched closely, by operators in Montana and, if there were no obstacles in the way of getting their equipment across the border, many of them would come north and try their luck. But, with the heavy duty in the way, they do not do so. It is not worth their while to pay this, when their intention is merely to test out a field. If the results of their tests prove good, however, the country and the government, through the royalty which it collects, would profit greatly.

Every possible inducement should be given for the development of our natural resources. What is now secured by the government through the collection of duties is a mere drop in the bucket as compared with the revenue which would accrue to it from large oil production.

There is no extensive drilling equipment or well casing industry in Canada which could put up a claim for tariff protection and the government would not be embarrassed at that account. Such an industry may come in time, but it will have to wait until there is a crude oil production obtained of more than two and a half per cent of the country's requirements. All but this percentage is at present imported.

A sound governmental policy will put aside other considerations and concentrate on encouraging to the fullest extent possible those who are prepared to conduct drilling operations. The federal cabinet should appreciate this and in the coming budget make the changes which are being asked.—Edmonton Journal.

PRODUCTION OF NATURAL GAS

The total production of natural gas in the Province of Alberta during the year 1923, according to returns made by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, was 6,135,260,000 cubic feet in comparison with 5,808,439,000 cubic feet in 1922. The Province in this regard is second only to Ontario, which produced in 1923 a total of 7,900,000,000 cubic feet.

The total production of crude petroleum in Alberta in 1923 was 6,659 barrels compared with 4,625 barrels in 1922.

Natural gas is now in use in four cities in Alberta.

OIL INTERESTS ARE DISAPPOINTED

Lethbridge, April 14.—Oil men are keenly disappointed with the budget in that no relief is given in the tariff on drilling machinery not manufactured in Canada. This is what the oil interests have long been pressing for. On the whole, the budget was cordially received here.

LARGE TIMBER AREA

Thirty million feet of spruce timber capable of commercial development exist in the valley of the Clearwater River along the route of the A. and G. W. Railway, state officials of that road.

IN OTHER TOWNS.

(Vegreville Observer)

It is reported to the Observer that the situation in this district regarding sheriff's seizures has created considerable difficulty. It appears that when a seizure is made and an attempt made to realize on the assets under seizure, they are sometimes found missing.

An instance is given from a seizure made last fall of Sam Bartman's grain. The bailiff took charge of it and had four or five teams working all one day, hauling this grain to the elevator at Inland. But when the bailiff and his men returned, the next day to continue the work, they found the balance of the grain had disappeared.

Last week, before Mr. Justice Ives, Bartman was found guilty and sentenced to four months with hard labor at the Fort.

The case may serve as a warning to others who have the misfortune to fall under the bailiff's ministrations. Nothing is gained by hammering the bailiff or disposing of the goods under seizure.

(Wetaskiwin Times)

A dance is being arranged by the Wetaskiwin Athletic Association to be held in the Blue Lantern on Friday evening, May 2nd, the object being to raise funds to pay off some of the indebtedness incurred at the skating rink during the winter.

(Killam News)

The big game hunters who went over to Wainwright park for the big buffalo kill last fall received the sides and heads of the animals they killed on that occasion. The hides have been shipped to Edmonton for cleaning and tanning.

(Alliance Times)

The Champion Russian Wolf Hound, Fire Fly, bred by Mrs. George Arnold, of Alliance, Alberta, and sold to Glen Aile of Lacombe, and purchased by Miss Alma Noble, of Seattle, Washington, won her spurs at Seattle over fourteen of the best dogs of the district. At Tacoma, she won over eight dogs, at Portland, Oregon she beat the California bunch and the local ones and in Spokane she again beat fifteen of the best including a champion from Boston, Mass., and she repeated again at Yakima, Wash.

(Market Examiner)

It has been several years since the farmers and stock men of Alberta started their spring operations with as much confidence as they are in this season of 1924.

With a dandy crop last year, which was very generally distributed over all portions of the province, there had been dispelled the feeling of depression which existed previously not only regarding farming operations, but as to the outlook generally. Financial conditions with many were such that they did not get very much real cash out of their crop, but they paid off a lot of those old debts which had been dragging them down and they can now see a possibility of getting on their feet again.

"THE U. F. A."

All Locals of the U. F. A., U. F. W. A., and Junior U. F. A. are urged to ascertain how many young people of the district can attend University Week for Farm Young People, which is to take place at Edmonton, June 4th to 11th, as announced in the March 25th issue of "The U. F. A." It is essential that any contributions made to the Junior Conference Fund should be at the Central Office before the opening of the Conference, in order that delegates may receive their refund on the railway fare. This is the opportunity of a life time for our farm young people and it is hoped every Local will send at least one delegate. Should there be any communities where no young person is in a position to go to Edmonton in June, the Local will contribute very materially to the success of University Week if they will make a 5.00 donation to the Fund to assist the young people with their railway fare. Any further information desired will be furnished upon application to the U. F. A. Central Office.

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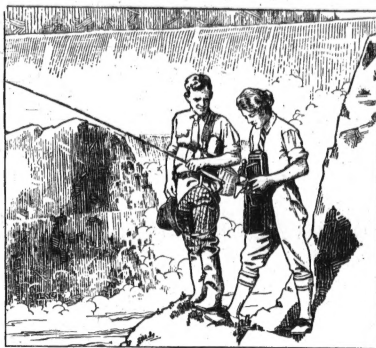
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Remains of Dr. A.M. McGregor Laid to Rest Last Tuesday

Last Tuesday Irma witnessed one of the largest crowds of sympathizing friends that has met for many a month to pay their last respects to one who was beloved by all who knew him. The late Dr. McGregor was one of the first residents of Irma and up to two years ago when he moved to Edgerton he was known as a friend to every one in the district. No night was too dark, no road too long or storm too bad to keep him from making his rounds when he was needed, at the home of some sick settler, many times far outside of what would be considered his regular district. Many times it has been stated that the late Doctor always thought more of a sick patient than he did of his own health and comfort. It was only after he became unable to stand the long drives at all hours of the night that he decided to move to Edgerton where he expected to take life easier. We understand that he spent most of the last three nights before his untimely end, at the bedside of his patients.

Long before two o'clock the church was packed to overflowing with sympathizing friends. The casket was banked with many floral wreaths and sprays among which were attached the following names. Irma Friends, Edgerton Friends, Wife and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. McDowell, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Purvis, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stuart, Dr. S. R. McGregor, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Harper, Oddfellows Lodge, Edgerton, Oddfellows Lodge, Irma, The Young Family and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bassett. Rev. Geo. Elliott held a very short and appropriate service assisted by the Choir, after which the remains were laid at rest in the Irma cemetery. The following acted as pallbearers: H. S. Purvis, J. W. Stuart, R. J. Tate, H. J. Hardy, Ross Eaton and J. C. McKay. Besides his widow and young daughter, he is survived by four brothers, Dr. J. A. McGregor of Kansas City, Dr. J. A. McGregor of Delaware, Ont., Thomas and Evan of Strathroy, Ont. Two sisters, Miss Ellen McGregor and Mrs. E. T. McDowell of Irma.

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Notice is hereby given under Section 48 of The Domestic Animals Act (Municipalities) that One Hereford Steer, two years old, no horns, branded half circle over K reversed B on left ribs, was impounded in the pound kept by Joe Gulbraa located on the S.W. Quarter 16-45-9-W4th on Thursday the 6th day of March, A. D. 1924, and that the said animal was sold on the 18th day of March, 1924, to Jas. Heam of Irma, Alberta, and that said animal may be redeemed by the owner or on his behalf within a period of thirty days from the publication of this notice in The Alberta Gazette, upon payment of all fees and costs due to the municipality and the purchase of said animal.

For information apply to the undersigned.
R. J. TATE, Sec. Treas.
M. D. of Battle River No. 423
Irma P. O. Alta.

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Silk Hose

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Effective January 6th, 1924
No. 1, Going West 7:44 P.M.
No. 3, Going West 7:28 A.M.
No. 2, Going East 10:38 A.M.
No. 4, Going East 10:14 P.M.
Train No. 1 stops only to let off or pick up passengers from Saskatoon or East, or to Jasper and West.
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—ROY WHYTE, Agent.

PUBLICITY

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To gain it you must tell the public.

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Main Street

Mr. A. Strand, a nephew of G. Strand arrived from Norway last Sunday night.

Mrs. J. Sawdon and family left on Saturday for their new home in Ontario.

We understand that Mrs. W. E. Ink is making satisfactory progress and hopes to be home shortly.

Mrs. W. E. Walker has accepted a position at the University Hospital at Edmonton.

We are sorry to report that Miss M. E. Milburn is confined to the house with a bad cold.

Mr. J. Sawdon took a car load of cattle and settler's effects to Toronto last week.

The Womens Missionary Society including an afternoon tea and sale of home cooking in the Watkinson building, Saturday afternoon.

Mr. T. A. Liden intends spending Easter at his home at Edgerton. On account of the holiday the Larson's Store will be closed Friday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Smallwood of Newcastle, N. B. spent the week end with their nephew R. D. Smallwood. Mr. and Mrs. Smallwood are on their way east after spending the winter at Long Beach, California.

M. Mecklenburg, the eye specialist of Edmonton, will make his next professional visit to Viking on Thursday, May 15th, and to Irma on Friday, May 16th. See him if your eyes are bad.

Mr. Chas. Young, of San Francisco, accompanied his sister Mrs. McGregor from California arriving in Irma last Monday. Mrs. McGregor and Mr. Young left for Wainwright and Edgerton Wednesday night to look after the affairs of the late Dr. A. M. McGregor.

Mr. N. D. McMillan of Bremner has been spending a few days in Irma helping with the sale of the late Angus McMillan's effects. The sale held last Monday was a big success considering the weather, all the stock and implements with the exception of some horses sold at fair prices.

Mr. H. Long returned to Irma Saturday night to look after putting the crop in on his farm on Strawberry Plains. Mr. Long intends sowing around 100 acres to registered early Triumph and Supreme wheat. These both appear to be new wheats in this part of the country, but Mr. Long claims they have made great records as regards to production and rust resistance in Saskatchewan where he secured his seed.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the very many kind friends who in so many ways manifested their sympathy and kindness during our recent bereavement. We wish to thank the Oddfellows at Edgerton and Irma in an especial manner.

Mrs. A. M. McGregor & daughter.

Battle River M. D. Council Hold Meeting

Council met in Municipal office. All members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and on motion of Smallwood, accepted as read.

Mr. Fischer and Mr. Burton reported on investigating road allowance taken from S. W. Quarter of 13-45-9-W4th.

Moved by Mr. Burton that this Council offer Mr. Askin \$37.50 for 1.5 acres taken for road purposes, and that if this is not satisfactory to him, he can submit the matter to arbitration. Cd.

Mr. Fischer reported on interview with Viking Hospital Board.

Moved by Mr. Golding that this Council authorize the Secretary and Mr. Smallwood to employ Mr. C. G. Purvis, to draw up an agreement with the Hospital at Viking, for the care of the indigent sick, of this district, said agreement to be presented to this Council for approval. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Smallwood that this Council employ Mr. C. G. Purvis as legal advisor for this Municipal District. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Smallwood that the tax rate for Glenholm S. D. be 16 mills. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Fischer that the tax rate for Edgerton City S. D. be 13 mills. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Golding that the tax rate for Paschenedale S. D. be 12 mills. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Burton that the tax rate for Fabian S. D. be 10 mills. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Blakely that Mr. Smallwood be appointed to consult Mr. C. G. Purvis re Seed Grain Lien of C. A. Sisson, and that action be taken according to advice received. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Burton that By-Law No. 19 be passed its first reading. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Golding that By-Law No. 19 be passed its second reading. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Blakely that By-Law No. 19 be passed its third reading. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Fischer that this Council meet at 10 o'clock A. M. on Tuesday, June 3rd. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Blakely that this Municipality have a public sale of lands bought by Council at the 1920 and 1921 Tax Sales, sale to be held at the Municipal office, at 2 o'clock P. M. on Tuesday, the third day of June, and that the same be advertised in the Edmonton Journal, The Wainwright Star, and The Irma Times, for three issues. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Fischer, that the Secretary notify the Edmonton General Hospital, that Mr. Sam Szoke is not an indigent and that this Municipality is not entitled to pay hospital bill.

Moved by Mr. King that correspondence from C. P. R. re road diversion in N. W. 7-45-9-W4th be tabled until next meeting. Cd.

Moved by Mr. King that the 1922 taxes on S. E. 10-46-8-W4th, be cancelled. Lost.

Moved by Mr. Blakely, that a letter be sent to Mr. Gordon, Dist. Ct. Supt. S. S. B., stating that a revenue was derived from this land in 1922, and that this council feel that the taxes

should be paid. Cd.
Moved by Mr. Blakely that the following accounts be passed and paid. Carried.
H. V. Fieldhouse \$49.15
A. A. Fischer 11.40
W. A. Burton 3.20
Moved by Mr. Burton that the following accounts be tabled. Cd.
J. Robb 15.00
N. A. L. R. D. 12.25
Simmons & Simmerman 9.90
Moved by Mr. Blakely that Mr. Golding be allowed to purchase wire to fence road on S. E. corner of N. E. 1-4 of 25-46-7-W4th. Cd.
Moved by Mr. Blakely that Council adjourn. Cd.

AVONGLEN NEWS.

Mrs. Sawdon and four children left for Mt. Albert, Ontario on Saturday morning. Mr. Sawdon followed on Monday with a car of settler effects.

Those who attended the children's party at Orbindale report it as a howling success.

Miss Lavenia Sawdon was operated on at the Royal Alexander Hospital, Edmonton on Friday. The last reports were she was doing as well as could be expected.

What might have been a very serious accident happened on Saturday when the horse Maynard Allen was riding slipped and fell, throwing the lad over his head, the horse then changed ends, his hips falling on the hips and limbs of the boy. In getting up the horse stepped on the lads back with one hind foot. A few bruises and a broken collar bone received when he went over the horses head, were the results. Dr. McGregor was called and soon had the lad as comfortable as possible in a splint.

F. L. Maine is assisting in the McCloud blacksmith shop these days.

Misses Bramlymore, McTavish and Murray teachers at Avonglen, Paschenedale and Orbindale left on Thursday morning to spend the Easter holidays at the homes in Edmonton.

E. J. Maine made a business trip to Edmonton and Millet on Monday.

EASTER DAWN

As in the days of long ago
There comes with Easter Time,
The glory of a Victory won
The Gift of Faith Divine.
The Vale of Shadows has no fear
Since He has passed that way,
For He has turned the gloom of night
Into the light of day.
A glorious song of triumph
Is heard around the world,
Once more the banner of the king
Is to the breeze unfurled.
Great armies march beneath its folds,
Nor ask to know the way,
Since He has turned the gloom of night
Into the light of day.

Clancy—O! want to buy an ottomobile for my wife.
Clerk—Yes, sir. Long body?
Clancy—Depends, not She's built like a barrel. But phwat the devil has that got to do wid it?

BLUE RIBBON TEA

Most grocers sell
BLUE RIBBON TEA
and most people drink
it. Do you have it in
your home?

A Daughter Of The Ranch

A Story of Romance and Adventure
of Western Pioneer Days

BY
ALEXANDER D. McLEOD
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CHAPTER I.

There are islands on the prairies. Such an island it is that rises out of the broad expansive sea of level, unbroken, green prairie that form the south-east section of the country, called—at the time of this narrative—"The North West Territories" of Canada, now Saskatchewan.

The "Moose Mountains"—a common name applied to one of nature's favored beauty spots—consist of an irregular cluster of undulating hills of glacial drift, which comprise an area of about six hundred square miles of territory. Rising to a height of from four to six hundred feet, they form a conspicuous elevation that is visible for many miles along the lower lying surrounding level prairie. Within their beautiful well-wooded valleys, and between their numerous equally well-wooded hills, lie scores of fresh water lakes, many of which are teeming with fish of various kinds. These, also, are the haunts of myriads of wild water fowl, and other birds of many species, that makes them their habitat during the breeding season of the year. Within these scenes was enacted the drama of human interest that is related in the following narrative.

It was coming to the close of a hot bright day toward the latter end of June, in the summer of 1885, when a military rider, well mounted, on a roan broncho, drew rein and halted his fast-galloped on the peak of one of the highest hills that form the south-west projection of the mountains. From his elevation the rider commanded a wide view of the apparently boundless prairie, which stretched far and wide, and then vanished beyond his range of vision. The field glasses that he trained on the seemingly limitless plain, revealed no break nor object that would indicate human habitation. With a puzzled look he turned his glasses eastward along the range of hills, and then, in close inspection of the skyline, he detected against the deeper blue of the eastern sky a faint tinted film of smoke that seemed to be issuing from, or beyond, a fringe of trees visible along the edge of a transverse range of hills some distance away. With a relieved expression depicted on his countenance he turned his horse in the direct

tion indicated by this column of smoke and proceeded on his journey. While the place from which this smoke issued might not prove to be the location of the Indian Agency, which was his objective as the end of his first day's trip, he inferred that it indicated the vicinity of some human habitation where he might receive accommodation for the night, or get some information as would direct him to the agency. It was his purpose, when he left Fort Qu'Appelle that morning to rest his horse for a day at the Indian Agency, and there, to secure additional supplies to last him for the balance of his journey to North Dakota, for which country he was heading, which he had intended to join some of his people who had made their homes there.

As he approached the bluff, he followed a dirt trail that led for some distance along its edge, which finally brought him through an opening in the trees. As he emerged on the other side of the bluff, his horse came to a sudden stop, when he almost collided with another horse and rider, cantering towards him. Quickly recovering himself from the surprise of this sudden meeting, he checked up his horse and faced the new arrival with alert composure. That the surprise was mutual was evident from the attitude of the new arrival, who sat firmly in his saddle, his right leg in the left hand, while the right tightly gripped a Colt's revolver. Still leaving it slung in the holster suspended from a belt around the waist, the stranger, without speaking, intently watched the movements of the traveller. He, in turn, appraised the youthful rider in front of him, who, sitting astride a spirited mount held well in hand, was, as he surmised, a youth of about eighteen years of age. He was dressed in riding boots and breeches, above which he wore an Indian tanned buckskin jacket, frilled and beaded as such garments usually are. On his head a gray slouch hat, pulled well over the face, fairly well concealed the upper part of a youthful and pleasing countenance.

His strange attitude that followed this sudden meeting, during which both riders mutually regarded each other, was, after a few moments, broken by a sweet feminine voice, both thrilled and astonished the traveller as it asked: "Excuse me, sir, but did you not see a horse and rider along the trail as you came along?" "Horse riders?" he was reported to be asked. "I have ranged the hills around here, but have found no trace of them. As these were the only open country to the west, nor in any other direction so far as I could see, even with the aid of my field glasses." "Then he offered: 'If there is anything I can do to assist you in the search for them, I shall be pleased to do it.' "Oh, thank you," she said, "but I think I would rather not. I shall turn back and range those hills to the south, and if they are not there I shall follow the trail from there home and report my failure to find them to my father." Then, turning her horse in the direction indicated, she turned in her saddle as if to give a parting greeting to the astonished traveller. As she did so, she seemed to notice for the first time the face and the appearance of both horse and rider. She then turned her horse around and said: "Your horse seems tired. You must have travelled a long distance today."

"I started from Fort Qu'Appelle this morning. My name is MacLaine, Ronald MacLaine. I have just received my discharge from the Canadian army, with which I was serving as scout with the General Middleton Brigade in the Riel Rebellion. I am on my way to North Dakota, where some of my relatives are waiting for me. I intended to spend the night and get additional supplies to continue the trip, but it seems I missed the trail. You can direct me, if I shall feel that way."

"There is a trail leading to the agency from my home. Follow this trail and it will lead you to the house about two miles east of here. From there father will show you the trail to the agency." With this parting instruction she turned her horse, and waving him a parting greeting, she set spurs to her horse's flanks and galloped off in the direction of the hills to the south to resume her search for the horses.

For a few minutes he stood watching her as she cantered over the rising ground till she dropped out of sight half a mile away beyond the brow of a hill. Her graceful riding, her skill in handling her horse, as well as her ingenious manner, attracted both his fancy and admiration. For some time he stood looking after her, and then he turned back and undecided as to which course to follow. He was seized with a strong urge to press his assistance. The

fact that "horse rustlers" were reported to be in the vicinity made him apprehensive of the dangers that might be lurking in the shelter of any bluff. He knew the desperate character and cunning tendencies of such outlaws, and was accordingly conscious of the dangers that threatened a defenceless woman, ranging the country alone, when such bandits are running at large. He felt the urgency of following her to afford her protection in case of need. Finally, impressed by her refusal to accept his assistance and satisfied with her skill in horsemanship, as well as her independent self-assurance in her knowledge of the country, he decided to follow the trail leading to the house. Travelling leisurely along the trail, he, in a short time, came to the shore of a lake of clear water with a well defined shore line and sandy beaches. The land and surrounding hills were heavily wooded. He turned to his left and took a well beaten path that followed the windings of the lake shore. Following this trail a short distance he came to a comparatively pretentious house built of peeled logs, and set on a stretch of rising ground a short distance back from the lake of the water, commanding a clear view. The ground in front was cleared of all underbrush and fixed up as a grassy level, where a number of birches and poplars stood here and there on the lawn in their irregular positions of original growth in the forest. A rustic log dwelling house, a veranda extending the full length of its front. It was built so as to harmonize with the rusticity of the house itself, both of which were evidently built with a view to comfort and convenience, and with good taste were woven in their construction. These details were taken in by the rider as he followed the path leading to the house.

All Very Simple

A 15-Year-Old Wizard Demonstrates His Skill to Interested Audience

Hedford School rejoices in the possession of a sort of Peter Pan professor of science—a little flaxen-haired lad with blue eyes.

In his snowwhite Eton collar he looks only 11, but he is 15 years of age, and he has recently given a personal demonstration of a scientific invention called "Electric Light" to the teachers of Hedford, who unlocked the door of an exhibition at the school.

"The Wonderland of Science." He demonstrated in easy platform style, with confidence and indeed with wisdom. Sir Oliver Lodge has been known to have been nervous of the little Peter Pan of Science, who is James Whaley McCollum, son of the director of electrical engineering at the British Admiralty, and a pupil of the school. Old men and elderly women pressed round young McCollum to hear how light could be turned into music when it is projected through a revolving disc.

"It is very simple," he said, walking up and down in front of his mechanical "gadgets." "You observe that behind the revolving perforated discs is a piece of selenium. There are two wireless valves and a loud speaker to amplify the musical light. 'Now you will have observed that the electrical resistance of selenium decreases under the action of light, and the disc causes an intermittent source of light to impinge on the selenium cell. This produces electrical impulse in the circuits stirred by fresh activity to produce musical notes, which are amplified by thermionic valves and low-frequency transformers.'"

"I don't know which is the more wonderful," said the listener, "the boy or the invention."

From the lad's demonstration it appears that it would be possible to produce the notes of a piano by this means.

Mother! Give Sick Baby "California Fig Syrup"

Harmless Laxative to Clean Liver and Bowels of Baby or Child

Even constipated, bilious, feverish, or sick, colic babies and children love to take genuine "California Fig Syrup." No other laxative regulates the tendency to constipation so nicely. It sweetens the stomach and starts the liver and bowels acting without griping. Contains no narcotics or soothing drugs. Say "California" to your druggist and avoid counterfeits! Insist upon genuine "California Fig Syrup" which contains directions.

Nurse Cavell's Dog

Edith Cavell's devoted dog, "Jack," has returned to England.

Alas, though, he is dead and stuffed. Nurse Cavell inquired all the time after him when she was in prison. After her murder, the dog was taken by the Dowager Duchess de Devon and kept until recently, when he died.

They say that he grieved sadly for his mistress, as she did for him. Well, Jack may only be a dog, but England welcomes his dead body with real pride and affection.

Bad habits are like a comfortable bed—easy to get into, but hard to get out of.

FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

"LITTLE FOXES"

By E. A. Henry, D.D.

Interesting Stories For Young Folks

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"A BATTERED WARSHIP"

In the days of the Great War I was a minister in Vancouver. One day I went to Esquimalt, which was the station for the Pacific squadron of the British Navy.

There entered the harbour one of the cruisers which had passed through a naval battle. It was H.M.S. Kent. It was a touching spectacle to me. In fact, I was almost choked with the emotion of the experience she had gone through.

Painted in the dull gray of the navy, she stood at anchor, and every part of her showed the marks of her long and hard service. The enemy shot had set ablaze her gun cotton, enemy shells had penetrated her magazines, and through her funnels the cartridges of hostile ships had plowed their way. Decks were splintered, the masts and her keel was covered with the sea growths that accumulate with long voyages.

She was so different to the quick and span vessels of pre-war days, with their fresh paint and shining brass, that I could hardly believe it was the same ship.

But as I looked at her, I will tell you what I thought. I said, "There are the marks of service, and there are the marks of battle. There are the marks of the old ship, but they were splendid marks. They show her long and hard service, and her keel was covered with the sea growths that accumulate with long voyages."

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HERE'S WHAT PEOPLE SAY ABOUT TANLAC

"If it had not been for Tanlac I would still be a sick, discouraged woman, for nothing else seemed to do me any good," says Mrs. Edward Gibbs.

All the advertising in the world and all the sales efforts "counted for nothing" could not have made the great success for TANLAC that has been attained, unless this reconstructive tonic possessed merit of the greatest degree. Over 40 million bottles of Tanlac have been sold and the demand today is greater than ever before.

That TANLAC possesses merit and has brought relief to hundreds of thousands of persons is attested by the great number of testimonials that have been received by the company from people in every state of the Union and every province of Canada. There are over 100,000 such statements on file with the company, all ringing with sincere praise for TANLAC and what it has accomplished.

Here are excerpts from a few of the 100,000 statements on file: Mrs. Edward Gibbs, Lancaster, Pa. "For 2 years indigestion deprived me of nearly all the pleasure of living. It had not been for TANLAC I would still be a sick and discouraged woman, for nothing else seemed to do me any good."

Mrs. Mary A. Benson, Seattle, Wash. "Following an operation my stomach and nerves seemed to give way and I became almost hopeless. As a last resort I tried TANLAC. I began to improve from the very first."

hardly a veteran who can be got to tell what he did. He just did it and let it go at that. When one of the ships in a battle was so sorely battered that it was seen she must sink and be lost, the captain said, "Keep cool, men! Be British!"

Just doing your duty, without noise or parade; whether applauded or not, whether known or not, whether in public or obscure places—that is all. When I left the harbour and turned my back on the old warlike vessel, the setting sun, that shines in such glorious colourings on the Pacific, bathed the grey ironclad in a glow of glory, and I saw the H.M.S. in new meanings, which I give to you.

Humility—Manhood—Service.

Clark's Beans With Pork
Clark's Beans and Pork are all cooked, ready to eat and serve. They save labour, fuel and worry and ensure perfectly cooked beans. The family size contains two pounds net weight.

"Let the Clark Kitchens help you."

To Get the Real Tea Flavor

Enamelled Ware Teapots Favored By Good Housekeepers

The Chinese have always told us (and they ought to know, for they were the original tea drinking people) that we make a great mistake in brewing our tea in metal teapots. Our silver teapots were only indications of barbaric ostentation in their eyes; the finest porcelain was their ideal.

Ten lovers will agree with the Chinese, but we know the sad fate which all too soon overtakes a china teapot; usually first its nose and then its cover is broken. There is, however, a compromise between metal and porcelain unknown to the oriental of tea discovery days, beloved by modern housewives—enamelware. No porcelain surface can be more delicate or more impervious and its metal foundation makes it survive the vicissitudes of ordinary family and kitchen use. One such teapot in white enamelware is still perfect after twenty years of service and still furnishes tea as delicate as if made in Mandarin porcelain.

Why don't you pick up that note? asked the waiter in Germany, who saw a native drop 1,000 marks. "Ach!" replied the German. "Last week I stooped to pick up such a note and lost a suspender button. And you can't get a suspender button under 5,000 marks."

Pate, which has ordained that there shall be no friendship among the evil, has also ordained that there shall ever be friendship among the good.—Plato.

and today am feeling fine!"

O. E. Moore, Kansas City, Mo.: "My stomach seemed to pain me constantly, food seemed to do me no good, I would blot up with gas, lost my strength, and could not sleep or rest. I was on the down-grade all the time. Tanlac corrected my troubles and put me in excellent shape."

Thomas Lucas, Peterboro, Ontario: "Well, sir, buying TANLAC was the best investment I ever made, for it built up my health and strength to where I haven't a complaint in the world."

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Kaake, Detroit, Mich.: "For more than a year our three children, age 2, 4 and 6, had been so peaked and listless that we were worried about them. Their stomachs were upset, appetites poor, the color had left their cheeks, their nights were restless and during the day they would not move around, taking no interest in play or anything else. They began to improve with the first dose of TANLAC, and today there are no more healthy children in Detroit."

Tanlac is for sale by all good druggists. Over 40 million bottles sold. Accept no substitute.

Take Tanlac Vegetable Pills.

Some Feline Traits

Language of Domestic Cats Is Explained By An Observer

Few persons really know their cats. Yet cats can talk though it is a dumb language.

Give your cat for dinner something that she doesn't like, and watch her snarl it, shake her right paw, and walk away in disgust. If she is really hungry and no other food offers she will return to the disliked dish, making a queer cackling hiss as she eats it, and saying, "Must have it if there's nothing else in the larder."

Watch her "smile" at you when she is pleased. She does this by closing her eyes very slowly and opening them again. A cat will "smile" like some one who is pleased.

When in absolute ecstasy she will paw the air with outstretched claws. In making a new friend she will arch her back and hold up a trembling tail, saying, "I know you like me."

If there be a savory smell she will walk round and round your legs, rubbing them hard, and asking you to "smile" with dinner."

It is wonderful how domesticated the cat has become. Yet we have only to see her knead her bed before settling to realize that the wild and strain persists in her, for her ancestors turned round and round and kneaded their beds to soften the forest floors.

Canadian Bacon Shows Improvement

A cablegram received in Canada quotes a large firm of importers of livestock products in England as saying that Canadian bacon recently received has been of greatly improved quality. This firm attributes the improvement to the system of government grading of hogs. The same firm also states that recent consignments of butter from Western Canada have earned commendation from British purchasers.

Buffalo For Yukon

Twenty head of buffalo from the Walworth Park will be shipped into the Yukon for the establishment of a buffalo park at White Horse. The buffalo have been purchased by Robert Lowe, of White Horse.

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For Your Eyes
Refreshes Tired Eyes
Write Murine Co., Chicago, for the Card

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A safe, dependable and effective remedy for Coughs, Colds, Distemper, Influenza, Hoarseness and Worms among horses and mules. Absolutely harmless, and as safe for colts as for stallions, mares or geldings. Give "Spon's" compound with preventive. Sold at all drug stores.

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A pleasant and agreeable sweet and a last-ling sea-breeze as well.

Good for teeth, breath and digestion. Makes the next cigar taste better.

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For those Smokers who like their tobacco Cut Fine or who roll their own
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Magic Baking Powder has been known and used all over Canada for more than 25 years. It has set the standard for goods of its class. Its use is increasing daily because of its strength, purity and universal satisfaction.

Pure Food insures good health. Magic Baking Powder insures pure food.

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TORONTO, CANADA

Proposed World Flight

Will Get Special Plane for Trip Around the World

Major Pedro Zanni and Ensign Nelson T. Page, the Argentine aviators who are to attempt a flight around the world next summer, expect to let contracts for a specially designed plane very shortly. This machine will be used for the first half of their trip. After a conference with the British officials, Zanni and Page have changed their route, avoiding Constantinople and proceeding via Egypt. The present route will be from London to Paris, Rome, Cairo, Baghdad, Calcutta, Hongkong, Shanghai, Tokyo, Alaska and San Francisco. They expect to start April 15.

A Severe Attack Of Heart Trouble Was Relieved By MILBURN'S Heart and Nerve Pills

Mr. S. E. Barnes, Athens, Ont., writes:—"Four years ago I had a very severe attack of heart trouble. I consulted my doctor; he treated me for some time, but I only seemed to be getting worse. I finally went to our druggist and purchased three boxes of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills and derived immediate relief from their use, and I can truthfully say they are a wonderful medicine. I always keep a box on hand, and if I feel out of sorts I take a few pills and feel all right again."

Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills are 50c a box at all dealers, or mailed direct on receipt of price by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

"Carver Must Not Ring Tonight," which has probably been read and recited more times than any other modern poem, was written in 1867 by Miss Rose Hartwick, of Litchfield, Conn. It is said that the author of the poem spent only two hours in its composition.

Boundary Line Extends North
By the end of this year the boundary line between British Columbia and Alberta will have been established from the 49th parallel to a point 100 miles north of the Peace River, Hon. T. D. Pattullo, minister of lands, announced recently.

In Most Homes

In these days of sedentary habits it becomes necessary for nearly all the members of the family to use some treatment to arouse the sluggish liver and ensure regularity of the action of the bowels.

Because Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills can be depended upon to produce the desired results under all conditions they are the most popular of family regulators and are found in the

WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

A mild-emphatic Pan-Pacific, or world's fair, for Vancouver in 1927 is the appeal made by Mayor Owen.

The National Assembly at Arizona has passed the bill calling for the deposition of the caliph and the abolition of the caliphate.

State laws prohibiting the possession of intoxicating liquors acquired before national prohibition in the United States, were sustained by the Supreme Court.

The public debt of the United States has been cut more than \$1,000,000 in the four and a half years since the great war indignity was at its peak, August 31, 1919.

The British Government has turned down the idea of obtaining revenue through a tax on betting, Philip Snowden, chancellor of the exchequer, told the House of Commons.

An advance of \$3,000 was made by the Dominion Government to Villiamur Stevenson in connection with relief of the Crawford party on Wrangell Island, according to the report of the auditor-general for 1922-23 tabled in the House of Commons.

Enough gloom prevails in the world without sombre heretics passing through the streets to remind people of death, in the opinion of the Associated Undertakers of New York, who have voted to discontinue their hearse like ordinary limousines.

Unit to Live—Must Die

This cordell is rendered a thousand times every week—no corn can live, it must pass out, drop off, if Patman's Extract is applied to corns and warts. Use the old reliable "Patman's." It never fails. 25c at all dealers.

Press For H.B. Road Completion

Progressives Will Keep This a Live Issue Before Parliament

In order to keep completion of the Hudson Bay Railway a live issue before the Parliament of Canada, Robert Forke, leader of the Progressive party, will introduce during the present session of the House of Commons a resolution urging the continuation of construction and the opening of the road at a date as early as possible. Mr. Forke, in discussing the proposed resolution, said he was fully aware of the depth of feeling which prevailed throughout the prairie provinces in this matter. At the same time, having in view the adverse conditions held in the west, he was not over-optimistic concerning the chances of Progressives obtaining action this year. He said he had been receiving numerous resolutions from points in the west urging the party to press for the completion of the road.

He wished to inform all the supporters of the project on the prairies that the Progressives would not fail to impress upon the government the need for action. At the same time, however, Mr. Forke, in dealing with the government's programme, stated that the promises contained in the speech from the throne were such that he felt the government should be sustained, wholeheartedly, in carrying them out.

National Parks

National parks are not mere pleasure resorts. They pay national dividends of such magnitude that they cannot be overlooked, but the human dividends they pay in the form of renewed and increased health, efficiency and power, physical, mental and even moral, are of much greater moment. Recreation amid scenes of incomparable grandeur will do more to revive a lagging pulse and a sick mind than any physician's prescription—and the first to admit that is the doctor himself.—Vancouver Province

Dizzy Spells Bearing-Down Pains

When pains gather around the hips and lodge in the small of the back—when to stoop or bend seems impossible, when dizzy spells and bearing-down pains are ever present—that's the time to use Dr. Hamilton's Pills. Irregular bowels disappear, vital energy is restored, back trouble is forgotten.

DR. HAMILTON'S PILLS

The ailing sick woman gains strength and improves in mood. Increases in spirit, by using Dr. Hamilton's Pills. They correct the conditions that rob her of health and vigor. No medicine so helpful as Dr. Hamilton's Pills. 25c at all dealers, or The Catanzano Co., Montreal.

Britain Most Heavily Taxed of Countries

Chancellor of Exchequer Supplies Figures Showing Taxation Per Head in Different Countries

Philip Snowden, Chancellor of the Exchequer, has supplied figures showing taxation per head in the principal countries in 1911 and in 1924. The figures follow:

Great Britain, 1914, three pounds, eleven shillings; 1924, fifteen pounds, eleven shillings. France, 1914, three pounds, seven shillings; 1924, six pounds, eighteen shillings. United States, 1914, one pound, seven shillings; 1924, six pounds, fourteen shillings. Germany, 1914, one pound, ten shillings; 1924, four pounds, one shilling. Italy, 1914, two pounds, two shillings; 1924, eight pounds, three shillings. Canada, 1914, three pounds, eight shillings; 1924, seven pounds, nineteen shillings. Australia, 1914, three pounds, eight shillings; 1924, eight pounds, one shilling.

RHEUMATIC PEOPLE CAN FIND RELIEF

By Enriching Their Blood With Dr. Williams' Pink Pills

Rheumatism attacks people when the blood is clogged with impurities, thus setting up an inflammation of the muscles and joints. Cold or wet weather may start the tortures of rheumatism, but it is not the cause, as was once supposed. The cause is thin or impure blood. Rubbing with liniment, or taking laxatives, may give relief, but that is all; the pains are soon back again. You must root the trouble through the blood to get rid of it. The value of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in cases of this kind is proved by the following statement: Mrs. Margaret M. Callan, writing on behalf of her grandmother, Mrs. A. McEwen, Greenstone, Que., says: "My grandmother, 85 years of age, was some years ago, a great sufferer from rheumatism. She tried many remedies, but found none did her any good until she began taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. These she used for some months until every trace of rheumatism disappeared. Since then she has taken the pills at intervals, and they have kept her in the best of health. It is marvellous how well and active my grandmother is. She cooked the dinner for the threshers last fall, and she gives the credit for her good health to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. She is anxious that her experience with this splendid medicine be given for the benefit of others."

If you are suffering from any trouble due to poor or watery blood Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will help you. Sold by medicine dealers everywhere, or sent by mail at 50 cents a box by writing The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Find Ancient Roman Temple

Weeks ago, engaged in clearing the ground around the ancient Roman camp at Orange, France, have brought to light the ruins of a temple of greater dimensions than those of the famous Maison Carree at Nîmes, the temple Augustus and Livia at Vienna. The chief architect of the State Archaeological Department, regards the find as of great importance and is pushing the work of excavation.

Best Fish Season

A greatly increased demand for frozen fish from Lake Manitoba is reported for this season by Canadian National Express officials. Since the opening of the season, Dec. 1, shipments to Montreal, Boston and New York have surpassed the records of previous years and the supply of fresh fish from Lake Manitoba for these points does not at present meet the demand.

A Power of Its Own.—Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil has a subtle power of its own. All who have used it know this and keep it by them as the most valuable liniment available. Its uses are innumerable and for many years it has been prized as the leading liniment for man and beast.

R.C.M.P. for Empire Exhibition
The Royal Canadian Mounted Police will be represented at the British Empire exhibition at Wembley Park, London, England, this year. From the Lethbridge unit Inspector Hill and Constable Pelletier will attend.

Minard's Liniment Relieves Colds

Railroad Motor Coaches

Will the Automobile Replace the Steam Coach?

While only 40 railroads were listed last year as operating motor rail coaches, a compilation made on January 1st, 1924, shows a total of 157, or an apparent increase of about 400 per cent. These figures indicate that the railroads of the country are not only using the motor coach as an experimental "toy," but many of them have already found that it is practical and economical.

Among the latter may be numbered the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad. It has been a test of the motor rail coach about two years ago. Three motor rail coaches, each accommodating 30 persons and providing space for 1,000 lbs. of baggage, were placed in the service. As a result of the success of this venture, a larger type of gasoline propelled vehicle, providing accommodations for 60 passengers and 2,000 lbs. of baggage, was also placed in service. This propelled by a 120 horsepower 6-cylinder motor.

Must Insure Cars

Quebec Will Have New Act to Protect Automobile Owners

To destroy the market in stolen motor cars in the province of Quebec, which was assuming alarming proportions, the provincial government will this session introduce a special act dealing with the traffic. Under the act all motor car dealers must obtain a license from the provincial treasurer, submitting with their application for such a liability insurance policy sufficient to guarantee a year's purchase of cars in the event of such cars being stolen. If the insurance company cancels its policy the government license to the dealer will automatically cease. The general effect of the act will be that people buying cars of a licensed dealer will be considered to be in good faith, while those who buy in other ways will do so at their own risk.

Anxious to Join Polar Expedition

Capt. Bernier Receives Many Applications in Old Country

Capt. Joseph Bernier, the Canadian Arctic explorer who was in Glasgow recently in connection with the acquisition by the Canadian Government of the steamer Franklin for the proposed Polar expedition beginning in June, received many applications from all kinds of people who desire to join his party for the trip.

One scientist who accompanied the noted British Polar explorer, the late Sir Ernest Shackleton in his last journey, in 1912, is an applicant for a place in the expedition party, and a famous novelist is one of the applicants.

Capt. Bernier is 72 years of age, and this will be his eleventh Arctic venture.

Edison's Son to the Fore

Charles Edison, son of Thomas A. Edison, has assumed the responsibility of financial director of the thirty-three Edison industries and companies. He has for several years been chairman of the Edison industries, of which his father is president. Mr. Edison is thirty-five years old.

A barometer in common use in some parts of Europe consists of a pond of water and a frog on a little stepholder in it. When the frog comes out of the water and sits on the steps it is said infallibly to indicate rain.

EXCRUCIATING PAINS, CRAMPS

Entirely Remedied by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Edbert, Ont.—"I started with cramps and bearing-down pains at the age of eleven years, and I would get so nervous I could hardly stay in bed, and I had such pains that I would scream, and my mother would call the doctor to give me something to take. At eighteen I married, and I have four healthy children, but I still have pains in my right side. I am a farmer's wife with more work than I am able to do. I have taken three bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and I feel that it is helping me every day. My sister-in-law, who has been taking your medicine for some time and uses your Sanative Wash, told me about it and I recommend it now, as I have received great relief from it."—Mrs. Nelson Yott, R. R. 1, Edbert, Ont.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is a medicine for ailments common to women. It has been used for such troubles for nearly fifty years, and thousands of women have found relief as did Mrs. Yott, by taking this splendid medicine.

If you are suffering from irregularity, pain, nervousness, headaches, backache or melancholia, you should at once begin to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It is excellent to strengthen the system and help to perform its functions with ease and regularity.

Assists Farmers to Purchase Livestock

New Policy Being Carried Out by Livestock Branch

The Minister of Agriculture for Canada, Honorable W. R. Motherwell, by the carrying out of policies administered by the Livestock Branch of his department, has, during the past fiscal year, either for breeding or feeding, been able to conserve a large number of livestock consigned to stockyards and abattoirs. "Finished" steers to the number of 80,717, 89,024 heifers, 673 sows and 18,000 sheep were, under the arrangement referred to, returned to the farms for breeding purposes in the case of females and for finishing into good beef in the case of feeder cattle. Two policies are involved in this service, one, the remission of freight charges, brought about by an arrangement between the Livestock Branch and the railway companies, and the other, the payment of the reasonable traveling expenses of farmers making the purchases. The minister's report, which supplies this information, makes it clear that the assistance thus given was available for stock purchased for breeding or further feeding by the purchaser and not for speculative purposes.

Women Can Dye Any Garment, Drapery

Dye or Tint Warm, Faded Things New for 15 Cents

Diamond Dyes

Don't wonder whether you can dye or tint successfully, because perfect home dyeing is guaranteed with "Diamond Dyes" even if you have never dyed before. Druggists have all colors. Directions in each package.

Radio Station Opened

The Largest Broadcasting Station in Canada Operated by C.N.R.

Radio station CKCH of the Canadian National Railway, located on the roof of Ottawa's highest office building, came "on the air" on Feb. 27th with a varied programme to the entertainment and delight of thousands of radio enthusiasts throughout Canada. This, the largest and most powerful radio station operating in the Dominion, was opened by Sir Henry Thornton, K.B.E., chairman and president of the Canadian National Railway, who spoke to employees and the general public of Canada and the States. At the same time CKCH was "tied in" with CKCY, Montreal, and the speech and programme were broadcast from both cities simultaneously.

Asthma Victims. The man or woman subject to asthma is indeed a victim. "What can I do?" he or she laments to suddenly be seized with paroxysms of choking which seem to threaten the existence of life itself. From such a condition Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy has brought many to completely restored health. It is known and prized in every section of this broad land.

Helping the Hebrideans

Definite arrangements for financing the movement of Hebrides fishermen to settlements on the British Columbia coast were closed by Hon. T. D. Pattullo, minister of lands. The provincial government will advance progress loans up to \$300 per family to Hebridean settlers on condition that the British Government advance a similar amount. Settlers would be given homesteads on the coast and islands, where they can engage in fishing and farming.

Successful Fur Auction

What is considered to have been Canada's most successful fur auction sale since these sales were inaugurated, resulting in the changing hands of some \$1,500,000 worth of furs, was held in Montreal recently. More than 300 buyers were present, a record number, from the United States, Europe and from Siberia and Manchuria.

Minard's Liniment for Colds

Afraid of Losing Your Job

The young fellow who is all the time afraid of losing his job, probably does not deserve to keep it. It is the incompetent worker or the lazy worker who is always fearful that someone will be put in his place. If you are doing the work you should do, and are doing it with the enthusiasm and zeal which belongs to it, the last thing that will enter your mind is that somebody else is going to get your place.

According to an American estimate, there are eight hundred and thirty-seven causes of war. The Balkans seem to have tried them all.

Minard's Liniment for Sprains

W. N. U. 1515

Every Wife Should Know

that Zam-Buk contains in most compact form all the essentials of a perfect ever-ready home skin medicine.

This grand herbal preparation is beautifully soothing for cuts, burns, scalds, etc., or for chafed and chapped skins. It removes all kinds of germ-infection, poisoning or inflammation, and heals the most troublesome wounds or sore with remarkable ease.

ZAM-BUK is "A Surgery in a Two-inch Box," useful for both Accidents and Skin Disease.

IN SOUPS, STEWS,

gravies, savoury dishes, and in hundreds of different ways Oxo beef cubes will make food more tasty and nutritious.

OXO CUBES
In tins of 4, 10, 50 and 100.

Taber Irrigation District

Success Attained Is Evidenced by Last Financial Statement

The success attained by Irrigationists is evidenced by the last financial statement of the Taber Irrigation District. The report reveals a total surplus collectible or an hand of \$20,000, of which \$7,000 is on deposit in the bank. Operations have been so satisfactory that negotiations have been entered into with the Canadian Pacific Railway to set up a fund of \$3,000 to \$5,000 to redeem bonds of the district held by the railway. In this way it is hoped that the district will be cleared of debt in a few years.

Internally and Externally it is Good. The crowning property of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil is that it can be used internally for many complaints as well as externally. For sore throat, cough, whooping cough, pains in the chest, colds and many kindred ailments it has qualities that are unsurpassed. A bottle of it costs little and there is no loss in always having it at hand.

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A safe, reliable, regulating medicine for women. Sold in 25-cent bottles. Full directions on wrapper. Sold by leading druggists, or sent by mail for 25c. For sample, send 10c. to The Cook Medicine Co., Toronto, Ontario.

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FOR THE KIDNEYS
THE WORLD'S BEST REMEDY FOR ALL KIDNEY AND BLADDER TROUBLES

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ONE PILL A DOSE ONE CENT A DOSE

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Now offers for public subscription 6,500 Preference Shares at \$10.00 each with the privilege of subscribing for one Common at \$1.00 each for every two Preferred.

Terms of subscription, one-third cash, balance on or before May 1st, 1924, payable to Montreal Trust Co. Edmonton, who are acting as trustee until full amount of \$65,000 in cash is received by them, when a shareholders meeting will elect a permanent board of directors and proceed to allotment and construction.

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Dr. Frank A. McCord, Sec. Treas.

Here and There

A dispatch from London, England, states that the South American Government, through Capt. E. C. Midwinter, general manager of railways and steamers, Soudan, Africa, has accepted a tender from a British Columbia firm for 150,000 railway ties of Douglas fir. The contract expressly stipulates that the railway ties shall be of Canadian origin.

British Columbia's shipment of water-borne lumber to overseas markets totaled 527,707,132 board feet last year, against 479,146,000 in 1922, an increase of 91 per cent. This announcement was recently made by the provincial minister of lands and it is a remarkable index of the rapid expansion of the lumber industry in British Columbia.

Under a scheme inaugurated by the Provincial Government it is announced that British Columbia will advance loans up to \$300 a family to settlers from the Hebrides, on condition that the British Government advance a like amount. In view of the present depression in the islands, it is expected that the British Government will co-operate.

Keen interest in all Canadian manufactures and especially mineral products, wood pulp, textiles, leather and rubber goods, heavy machinery and farm machinery is now manifested by France and Belgium, according to H. E. Tessier of Montreal, who recently accompanied an exhibit of these manufactures on a tour through every important city in these countries. Mr. Tessier believes that the tour will bring great practical benefit to Canada as soon as French currency becomes more stable.

The exterior of the great Canadian pavilion at Wembley has now been completed, and the interior decorations are busily finishing the building, according to H. E. Tessier, who has just returned to Canada aboard the Canadian Pacific liner Montclair. The exhibits are being rapidly assembled and everything points to Canada's display being ready in time for the opening of the British Empire Exhibition.

That Canada's culture has nothing to fear from the promised flood of immigration from continental Europe was the message recently delivered by J. Murray Gibson, Canadian author and litterateur, in an address on "Canadian Literature and the Foreign-born" given in Montreal recently. Of all the Scandinavian races contributing to the Canadian population, Mr. Gibson considers the Icelanders to have the highest literary mentality.

More than 13,000,000 bushels of grain have been received at the Government elevator at Vancouver, B.C., from Canadian Pacific Railway cars since the opening of the crop year, according to a report issued by railway officials. Exported from Vancouver in the same period there have been 20,416,534 bushels, comprising 15,485,252 bushels to the United Kingdom, 4,630,105 to the Orient and 338,183 bushels to South America.

The aggregate value of all field crops in Canada in 1923, was \$891,755,200, according to a report of the Bureau of Statistics, a decrease of \$70,538,000 from 1922, caused mainly by the lower price applicable practically to every crop. This sum was made up of the following items: wheat, \$515,866,100; oats, \$177,704,400; barley, \$32,055,700; rye, \$11,244,900; hay and clover, \$162,582,900; mixed grains, \$17,664,000; potatoes, \$57,976,800; turnips, etc., \$22,650,100; corn, husking, \$12,466,000.

These Folks Got a Lot For Their Money

Good morning, Madame, I would like to interest you in Blank's Encyclopedia. It is full of valuable information that folks need to get ahead in the world, and contains a thousand and one practical hints that any housewife will appreciate.

So ran the canvass of an itinerant book agent who travelled the country far and wide several years ago. But his selling talk did not end there. This was no ordinary ringer of door bells. No, indeed! He had something more to offer—an acre in the hole, as it were.

"As a special introductory offer," he told of a special premium for the purchaser of a set of his volumes—a tempting bargain that was not to be found between the covers of any book. The premium he offered was a plot of land out in "God's country, under the sunniest of California skies." And did he sell encyclopedias? He did.

Here is what the folks received who bought the encyclopedia, and here is the story of why it was offered them.

Remember that this was years ago—at a time when the present city of Huntington Beach, California, was only an insignificant group of shanties along the wind-swept coast. Behind the village was a hill—and about three miles back of this hill lay some land so valuable that no one wanted to pay taxes on it. But the book agent worked for a wide awake house. The publishers of the encyclopedia he sold had a real idea.

They secured a few acres of this land, laid it out in town lots and offered these lots as premiums to the purchasers of the "compendium of knowledge."

The scheme worked so well that the publishers soon ran out of land. In order to keep on giving premiums they had to buy up more of the "hinterland" of Huntington Beach. The lots they gave were never more than 25 feet wide so it came to pass that a good many Toms, Dicks and Harrys all over the United States secured ti-

ties to these California lots.

As the years rolled on, some of the staidly minded folk who owned the lots got tired of holding the bag and paying the village assessments and so the lots were permitted to go "for taxes." Huntington Beach had grown apace, so some of those who bought the lots "for taxes" moved out and settled on the land.

Then came the oil boom! Derricks by the hundreds sprang up to the north of Huntington Beach. A wild scramble for land and leases followed. Prominent among the bidders were owners and former owners of the "premium lots." Each side lined up all the heavy legal artillery available—and the battle still rages.

Most of the wells drilled on this property have turned out to be big producers—two and three thousand barrel wells. But the lots are so small that the wells are badly overcrowded and there is still much valuable drilling territory tied up by litigation.

These folks whose titles to the land are clear are sitting pretty. They got a lot for their money. Others are kicking themselves because they did not give more heed to the premiums given them many years ago.

Fortune assumes strange guises to be sure, but few of us would expect her to knock at our door in the person of a book agent.

But here was a ringer of door bells who was a courier of good fortune—big producers on the premium property prove it. And folks at Huntington Beach call them the "Encyclopedia Wells."

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VIKING

Considerable interest has developed during the last few days regarding the special oratorio known as the "Crucifixion" which is being sung at the Community Church, on Good Friday evening at 8 p. m., and on Sunday evening at the Easter service.

The singing of this class of music has meant many long and tedious hours of training for the choir during the last few weeks. But, we are justified, judging from the recent rehearsals, in predicting that this will be the best Easter music in the history of the choir.

The Crucifixion is unique, in that it relates the story of the Passion and Death of Jesus, in music.

It begins with an impressive soprano solo "And they came to a place named Gethsemane" followed by chorus, solo, quartet, and duet singing covering the salient parts of the Passion Story, including the "Procession to Calvary," at this point the choir in unison burst forth in a dramatic way by the singing of "Pang Wide the Gates for the Savior comes to tread in his Royal way." There is mention of the "Divine Humiliation" culminating in a pretty quartet "God so loved the World." Then comes the "Liturgy of the Passion," "Forgiveness of Jesus" the "Mystery of Intercession" the "Adoration of the Crucified."

Finally comes the story of the whole story in the words of "Is it nothing to all ye that pass by." It ends by the singing of the well known hymn: All for Jesus, All for Jesus, This our song shall ever be; For we have no hope, nor Savior, If we have not hope in Thee. All for Jesus, all for Jesus.

This the Church's song must be; Till, at last, her sons are gathered One in love and one in Thee.

Dr. W. L. McMachen, D. D. S., and Miss Lillian Cavers were united in marriage at the Community church parsonage on Wednesday, April 16th, at 6:30 A. M. the ceremony being performed by the Rev. Mr. Upton, pastor of the church. Immediate witnesses to the happy event were Mrs. H. P. Stock, of Viking, and Dr. Canneff, of Provost. Mrs. Upton sang two vocal selections. After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Hilliker, the room being decorated with carnations and daffodils.

The bride was dressed in navy blue perrett tulle, trimmed in sand ribbons, checker effect. She wore a hat in same combination of colors, and carried a corsage bouquet of Ophelia roses.

As the newlyweds left in Mr. Upton's car for the station to catch the morning train they were showered with confetti and rice, and wedding bells rang merrily.

The bride recently arrived from Toronto to take a position as stenographer in the Yukon & Pilgrim law office, and as the future daughter of Mr. Andrew Cavers of that city. The groom took up the practice of his profession here last fall with branch offices at Irma and Holden. Both are an asset to this community and have made a host of friends who join with The News in extending congratulations and best wishes.

They return to Viking in a few days where they will make their home.

Jackie Taylor and Bruce Collier, sophomores at the University of Alberta, have returned home, having completed their second year. Bruce will take up a course in aeronautics at Camp Borden, Toronto, this summer. This flying school is under supervision of the British air force and is a three year course. Only two young men were selected from the University, after passing rigid examinations; Wm. Dean, of Vegreville being the other.

Mrs. Kirby and son Clarence were week end visitors in Edmonton. Clarence was the contestant from the Viking school in the marble contest. Clarence was third and when one considers the number playing he did well and Viking is again on the map.

Mr. Kerns of Kinelsa, was a week end visitor at the home of Rev. Upton. Mr. Kerns although crippled with a broken ankle and on crutches, delighted the audience at the Community church last Sunday evening when he sang a duet with Mrs. Upton. Mrs. Phillips left for her home in Kinelsa Saturday evening after a two weeks visit with her friend Mrs. Ross Shippy.

Miss Carrie Kenep who has been an inmate of the Viking hospital for the past five weeks, was taken to Edmonton on Monday for an X-Ray examination.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Demers arrived from Montreal last week. Mr. Demers is arranging to have his farm west of town put into crop. Mrs. Demers remained here only a few days and returned to Montreal on Saturday.

At a meeting of the band committee held Tuesday evening it was decided to put on a big Sports Day at Viking on Wednesday, June 18th. Keep this date in mind.

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